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SUBJECT: NIAGARA FALLS, NY
CONVERSATION WITH PASNY
RE: NY DEC COMMENTS ON WORK PLAN

CC: L. E. ERICKSON

I talked with Gary Ford, Stauffer Chemical Company Attorney, about some of the NY DEC comments on the Work Plan for the old Niagara Falls plant site - specifically, about his knowledge concerning 1) PASNY's alleged plan to develop a recreational area and 2) the presence of radioactive slag. He directed me to Doug Kerr, PASNY, who has been a Stauffer contact and is in charge of the PASNY expansion project in the Niagara area.

Today, I spoke with Doug Kerr who is the Director of Licensing for PASNY. He explained that as part of their permit application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, PASNY is required to make proposals for recreation areas. PASNY is proposing to develop an existing foot path which runs north of the plant along the Gorge to Art Park, some 2 miles to the north.

Mr. Kerr also informed me that there were uranium processing plants in the Niagara area. In the past, slag from the plants had been ground up and used as black top. This ground up slag may have been used in the parking areas and roads at the Stauffer Niagara plant. Further, the Niagara County Health Department has information on this. He is going to see if PASNY has further information on the slag and send it to me.

Mr. Kerr requested that PASNY receive a copy of the Stauffer Management Company Work Plan since our findings may impact their plans. PASNY has willingly provided information to Stauffer in the past, i.e. the Bechtel investigation report. I told him we were currently revising the work Plan and that I would keep in contact.

PASNY is proceeding with plans to expand the Niagra plant. However, they have scrapped plans for a separate expansion of the adjacent Robert Moses site.

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